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## **KC MAN SENTENCED FOR DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for selling crack cocaine at an area gas station.

**Terry S. Taylor**, 26, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. Chief District Judge Dean Whipple this morning to 10 years in federal prison without parole. Because of **Taylor's** prior drug-related felony convictions, Graves explained, he was subject to the enhanced mandatory minimum sentence. **Taylor** has a 1997 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance.

On July 29, 2005, **Taylor** pleaded guilty to distributing crack cocaine. **Taylor** admitted that he sold 11 grams of crack cocaine for \$500 at a Conoco station, located in the 4000 block of Blue Ridge Blvd., on Sept. 30, 2003. **Taylor** also admitted that he set up the crack cocaine transaction earlier in the day via telephone.

This case was prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Patrick J. O'Connor. The case was investigated by the Jackson County, Mo., Drug Task Force and the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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